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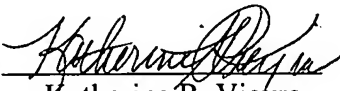
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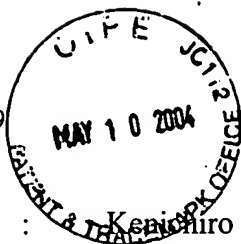
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	AD	Japan	49-107082	Sept. 12, 1974	yes - claim	
	AE	Japan	49-107081	Sept. 12, 1974	yes - claim	
	AF	Japan	49-45269	April 20, 1974	yes - claim	
	AG	Japan	7-108928 A	April 25, 1995	yes - abstract	
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